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Lancaster Man Sentenced to More Than 110 Years in Prison for Sexually Assaulting Three Girls

A 38-year-old Lancaster man was sentenced today to 110 years and 8 months in state prison after a jury found him guilty of sexually assaulting three girls ages 7, 8 and 11, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Deputy District Attorney Jon Hatami said a jury found Robert Carl Ham (dob 11/12/76) guilty on Aug. 14 of six counts of lewd act upon a child and one count each of continuous sexual abuse, forcible lewd act upon a child, forcible rape of child victim under 14 years and furnishing marijuana to minor under 14.

Los Angeles County Superior Court Judge Kathleen Blanchard of the Antelope Valley Branch sentenced Ham in case MA062771 following victim impact statements. The defendant also has to register as a sex offender and was ordered to pay more than \$3,200 in restitution.

Ham began sexually abusing two of the children after moving in with their mother in 2007, the prosecutor said. In 2012, Ham moved in with another woman and abused her daughter, the prosecutor added.

The defendant also contacted numerous other underage females through Facebook and text messages to sell them marijuana, according to court testimony.

The case remains under investigation by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, Special Victims Bureau.

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Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to seeking justice for victims of crime and enhancing public safety. Last year, the <u>Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office</u> prosecuted more than 71,000 felony defendants and nearly 112,000 misdemeanor defendants.